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January 29, 2008

Surface Transportation Board
396 E. Street SW
Washington DC 20423

Attention: Phyllis Johnson-Ball
Environmental Filing STB Docket No. 35087

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Case Origin - Job File

Oak Terrace is a small subdivision located in unincorporated Lake County, Illinois. Oak Terrace dates back to the early 1940s when it was mostly composed of summer cottages on the shore of Diamond Lake. Today, Oak Terrace contains over 100 homes. Our community is quite diverse, with residents in all ethnic, social, and economic classes. I am relating this to give you some background as to how the proposed sale of the EJ&E railway to CN will negatively affect our homes and community.

The EJ&E railway cuts through both Illinois Route 83, Diamond Lake road and Oak Terrace within a few hundred yards. Even though only 5-6 trains currently travel the EJ&E track on a daily basis, Oak Terrace gets a tremendous amount of cars cutting through our residential streets. Due to our unincorporated status, we depend upon County police for traffic control and we are too small to garner a great deal of attention. The proposed increase of daily train traffic (20 per day) would mean that there would almost continuously be extreme traffic congestion on Route 83, and to a lesser degree Diamond Lake road. This railway and traffic congestion will isolate our community from rapid emergency vehicle access, and vastly increase the "cut through" traffic in our area. I believe this constitutes a public nuisance and, as such, should not be allowed to occur without massive infrastructure changes.

Oak Terrace is currently prone to flooding, with some of our streets being underwater for days at a time during spring rains, and other times of high lake level. Increases in non-permeable surfaces will inevitably occur as train sidings are constructed in the area. The non-permeable surfaces will shed water to storm sewers. All the local storm sewers lead either to Diamond Lake, or to the channel that bisects Oak Terrace. The increase in storm water runoff can only aggravate the routine periodic flooding and subsequent property damage. This degradation of water quality, and increased flooding should not be allowed to occur.

Some of the homes in Oak Terrace directly border the railway. As mentioned previously, many of these homes are older. The current railway traffic causes many of these homes to shake and shudder with each passage. An increase in trains can only make this situation worse, and make some of these homes

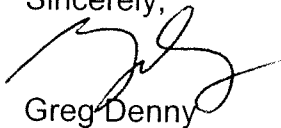
uninhabitable. This destruction of private property is unfair and unjust and should not be allowed without compensation or mitigation.

In summary, the proposed sale of the EJ&E railway will have an extremely negative impact upon Oak Terrace. It will negatively affect our property values, quality of life, and, in the case of the traffic, create a public nuisance.

Attached you will find signed petitions collected door to door by the vast majority of 125 residents expressing their agreement with these objections, and asking you to halt this sale.

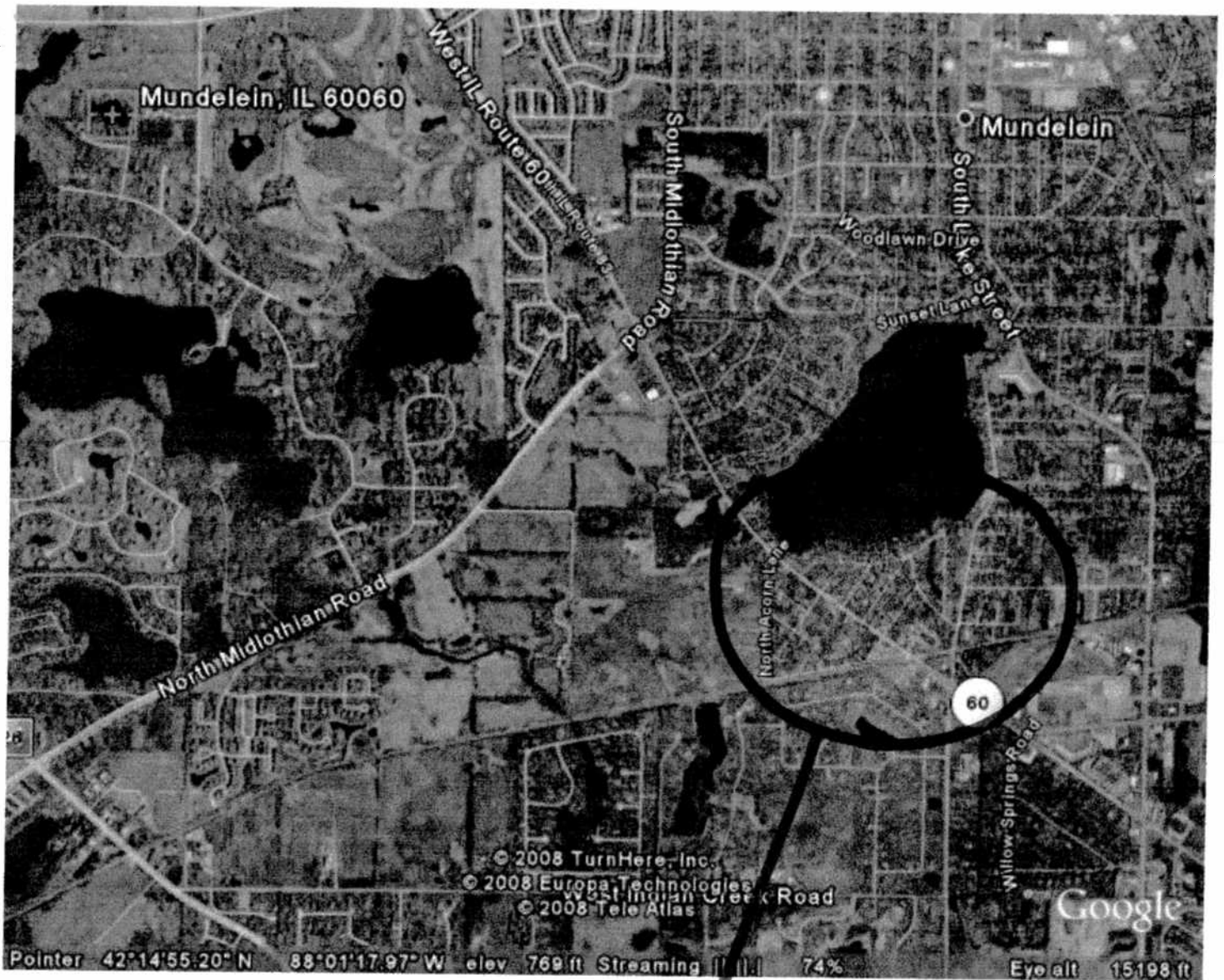
Thank you for taking the time to consider the impact upon Oak Terrace. If I can be of any assistance to you regarding these issues, please do not hesitate to contact me. My e-mail address is gdenny@emt.com

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Greg Denny', written over the printed name.

Greg Denny
President

Oak Terrace Home Improvement Association
26371 Elmwood Avenue
Mundelein, IL 60060



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<i>Julia Lee</i>	26322 N OAK "
<i>John Jacobson</i>	26304 N. OAK "
<i>John Jacobson</i>	078 OAK
<i>John Jacobson</i>	282 N
<i>John Jacobson</i>	26297 OAK
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<i>John Jacobson</i>	26301 Oak Ave
<i>John Jacobson</i>	26267 N. OAK AV
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<i>Debra Pluss</i>	<i>26274 Maple</i>
<i>Debra</i>	<i>26221 N. Maple Ave</i>
<i>Jennifer Ling</i>	<i>26227 N. Maple Avenue Mundelein, IL</i>
<i>Wynne Keldersdal</i>	<i>26235 N Maple Ave Mundelein IL</i>
<i>K. Mangold</i>	<i>26277 N. Maple Ave</i>
<i>Mike</i>	<i>26283 N. Maple Ave, Mundelein, IL</i>
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Lynne M. Haly	" " "
Jaci West	26253 N. Hickory Mundelein, IL 60060
D. S.	" " " "
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John Crank	26315 N Walnut Ave Mundelein
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HARVEY GOSSELL	26340 N WALNUT AVE MUNDELEIN
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